

(2) the rate of change in the dry adhesion after being kept stuck at 60°C for a week is 0.5 to 2.0 times;

(3) the size of a ball used in ball tack measurement is 2/32 to 10/32 inches;

(4) the thickness of the adhesive layer (B) is 3 to 50 μm ;

(5) the adhesive layer (B) has a center line average surface roughness (Ra) of 2 to 500 nm.

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~~14~~ 16. (Amended) The surface protective film of claim ~~15~~¹³, wherein the release film (D) has a center line average surface roughness (Ra) of 2 to 500 nm and has no particles of 25 μm or larger and 10 or less particles of not smaller than 5 μm and smaller than 25 μm in an area with a length of 148 mm of the neighborhood which intersects perpendicularly with a length of 210 mm of one side (310.8 cm^2).

~~15~~¹³ 17. (Amended) The surface protective film of claim ~~15~~¹³, wherein a release layer comprising at least one release agent selected from the group consisting of a silicone resin, a fluorine resin and an aliphatic wax, formed on the surface where the release film (D) has been contact with the adhesion layer (B).

Please add the following new claims:

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~~17~~ 21. (New) A method for protecting a surface of a substrate, which comprises applying the surface protective film of any one of claim 1, ~~2~~¹³ or ~~15~~¹³ to the surface of a substrate selected from the group consisting of a polarizer, a diffusing plate, a translucent reflector, an optical retardation film and a viewing angle-widening film.

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¹⁸22. (New) A method for protecting a surface of a substrate, which comprises unwinding from the film roll of claim ~~18~~ the surface protective film and applying said surface protective film to the surface of a substrate selected from the group consisting of a polarizer, a diffusing plate, a translucent reflector, an optical retardation film and a viewing angle-widening film.



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22. (New) A method for protecting a surface of a substrate, which comprises unwinding from the film roll of claim 18 the surface protective film and applying said surface protective film to the surface of a substrate selected from the group consisting of a polarizer, a diffusing plate, a translucent reflector, an optical retardation film and a viewing angle-widening film.

Supplement